

The City of Fort Lauderdale Citizens' Committee of Recognition will meet in December to select nominees for this year's Citizen Recognition Awards, who will be recommended to the City Commission for approval. The Citizens' Committee of Recognition consists of the former Mayors of the City of Fort Lauderdale as well as one former honoree and the President of the Fort Lauderdale Council of Civic Associations.

The Committee has asked that you assist them in submitting names of citizens you feel should be considered for these prestigious awards. Attached you will find a background document that describes the awards program, and a nomination form. Please feel free to include as much information as possible about the individual(s) you recommend for consideration.

Please forward your nominations by e-mail to [jjohnson@fortlauderdale.gov](mailto:jjohnson@fortlauderdale.gov) or deliver the nomination to:

Citizens' Committee of Recognition  
City of Fort Lauderdale  
Attn: Judy Johnson  
101 N.E. 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue Suite 300  
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301

The nomination deadline is **November 14, 2006, 5 p.m.** Nominations and background materials submitted after deadline date **will not be accepted**. The Committee will not consider nominations without background materials (see #3 on nomination form).

If you have any questions, please call (954) 828-4741.



**City of Fort Lauderdale  
Citizens' Committee of Recognition  
2007 Annual Awards**

**Nomination Form**

*If submitting more than one nomination, please make a copy of this form for each nomination.*

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Distinguished Citizen

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Honored Founder

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Citizen of the Year

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Exemplary Former City Employee

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

1. Please describe the nominee's accomplishments or contributions to the community. Examples include civic responsibility, financial contributions, volunteer service, projects accomplished, or other categories.

2. Why is the nominee deserving of this award?

3. Please provide a brief biography, resume or any other background information about the nominee including contact information.

Submitted by: \_\_\_\_\_

Please feel free to attach additional sheets or e-mail the nomination answering the questions above.

Please return this form by **November 14, 2006, 5 p.m.** to: Judy Johnson, Citizens' Committee of Recognition Liaison, City of Fort Lauderdale, Public Information Office, 101 NE 3rd Avenue Suite 300, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301.

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# **CITIZEN RECOGNITION PROGRAM**

## **BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

The City of Fort Lauderdale initiated the Citizen Recognition Program in 1972. The purpose of the program is to give public recognition to citizens who contributed in significant ways to the development of this community.

Honorees are selected by the Citizens' Committee of Recognition, which consists of all former Mayors of Fort Lauderdale as well as one former honoree and the President of the Fort Lauderdale Council of Civic Associations. The Committee's recommendations are forwarded to the City Commission for approval. Members of the Citizens' Committee of recognition include:

E. Birch Willey, Chair

Robert Dressler

Genia Ellis

Robert O. Cox

Congressman E. Clay Shaw, Jr.

In 1983, the Citizens' Committee of Recognition recommended that effective in 1984, the Citizen Recognition Program would be revised to include a Citizen of the Year and a Distinguished Citizen honoree. The program was again amended in 1989 to include an Honored Founder category effective in 1990. In 1997, the category of Exemplary Former City Employee was added.

Since the inception of the Citizen Recognition Program, 88 outstanding citizens have received such honors.

## **DISTINGUISHED CITIZEN**

- ♦ The **Distinguished Citizen** award is given to that resident of the community who has contributed to the development of the community over a number of years (i.e., a pioneer).

### **Previous Honorees**

<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Year</u></b>
A. V. Moniger	1972
Annie Beck	1975
I. A. (Pop) Sterling	1976
H. D. (Pop) Leavitt	1977
William J. Eastman	1978
Susie C. Holly	1979
August Burghard	1979
Lewis Moore	1980
Byron Snyder	1981
N. B. Cheaney	1982
James Evert	1983
George W. English	1984
Virginia S. Young	1985
Evelyn F. Bartlett	1986
William Forrest (Buck) Dawson	1987
Lewis W. Parker	1988
John H. Monahan	1988
Gene A. Whiddon	1989
John H. Payne, III	1990
E. Clay Shaw, Jr.	1991
Evelyn Lewis	1992
Rev. Dr. O. S. Hawkins	1993
Robert O. Cox	1994
Jack Nelson	1995
Birch Willey	1996
Carl Mayhue	1997
Jan Charbonnet Crocker	1998
Kaye Pearson	1999
Ralph Marrinson	2000
Commissioner Jim Scott	2001
The Honorable W. Herbert Moriarty and The Honorable Estella Moriarty	2002
Samuel F. Morrison	2003
Robert Lochrie, Jr.	2004
Laura Ward	2005
Douglas P. Eagon	2006

## **CITIZEN OF THE YEAR**

- ◆ The **Citizen of the Year** award is for that person who, in the opinion of the Committee and the City Commission, has made the greatest contribution to the community in the current year. The Citizen of the Year must be a resident of the City of Fort Lauderdale.

### **Previous Honorees**

<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Year</u></b>
Joan Mikus	1984
Benjamin Williams	1985
Sandra S. Casteel	1986
Joyce E. Quinby	1987
Ina Lee	1988
Dr. Nathan Fragen	1989
Welcom H. Watson, Sr.	1990
Linda L. Gill	1991
Raymond F. Letts	1991
William Lindsey	1992
Michael S. Egan	1993
Tommy Mercer	1994
Tom Andrew	1995
Earl Lifshey	1996
Johnny Alexander	1997
H. Wayne Huizenga	1998
Terry Stiles	1999
Monsignor Vincent T. Kelly	2000
Bill Keith	2001
Tim Schiavone	2002
Ray Ferrero, Jr.	2003
William G. Crawford, Jr.	2004
Eugenia "Genia" Duncan Ellis	2005
Alan Hooper	2006

## **HONORED FOUNDER**

- ◆ The **Honored Founder** award is for a courageous citizen who prepared the way for future growth and harmony in Fort Lauderdale. This person may be deceased.

### **Previous Honorees**

<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Year</u></b>
Grace E. Vanderhorst Mizel	1990
Ivy (Julia) Cromartie Stranahan	1991
Floyd Hull	1992
Julian E. Ross, Sr.	1993
Philip Dressler	1994
J. H. Philpott	1994
Mary J. Wilson	1995
John V. Russell	1996
Edgar L. Patterson	1997
Barbara B. Payne	1998
Porter Reynolds	1999
William F. Bigoney	2000
George Gill	2001
Andrew DeGraffenreidt	2002
Richard A. Mills, Jr.	2003
W. George Allen	2004
Marjorie A. Davis	2005
Robert L. Elmore	2006

## **EXEMPLARY FORMER CITY EMPLOYEE**

- ♦ The **Exemplary Former City Employee** category was initiated in 1997. The award recognizes a former City employee who has served the citizens of Fort Lauderdale for a significant number of years and whose service has made a significant impact on the development and quality of life for the community. This person may be retired, deceased or separated from the City.

### **Previous Honorees**

<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Year</u></b>
Robert H. Bubier	1997
Connie Hoffmann	1998
James O. Hill	1999
George L. Hanbury	2000
Tom Tapp	2001
Charles H. Ritchie	2002
Dennis E. Lyles	2003
Lucy Kisela	2004
Hector D. Castro	2005
Scott Russell	2006

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In 1999, a one-time special award for Distinguished Service was given posthumously to Ron Cochran.